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**ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
MAY 9, 2019**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

RESOLUTION

**AUTHORIZE CHICAGO STAR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM PARTICIPATION AND EXPANSION
OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**

WHEREAS, in October 2014 under the leadership of Mayor Rahm Emanuel, City Colleges of Chicago (CCC) established the Chicago Star Scholarship program, an innovative program to remove the barrier of cost from earning a college credential for thousands of Chicago’s public high school students; and

WHEREAS, the Star Scholarship Program consists of the Board providing graduates of a Chicago public high school who have enrolled in one of CCC’s academic pathways and who have earned (i) at least a 3.0 high school GPA; and (ii) a score of at least 17 on the English and math ACT, (iii) a score of at least 460 on the English SAT and at least 440 on the math SAT, or (iv) tests “Completion Ready” through the CCC placement exam with free tuition and books (the “Star Scholarship”); and

WHEREAS, thousands of Chicago Public School graduates have been awarded a Star Scholarship in the four years since its establishment; and

WHEREAS, the Board approves, reconfirms and ratifies the Board’s participation in the Star Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Big Shoulders Fund (“BSF”), is an Illinois not-for-profit corporation that has helped Chicago’s children in financial need achieve their educational goals; and

WHEREAS, BSF supports students at twelve high school across Chicago eliminating impediments to high quality secondary education and positioning students for college success; and

WHEREAS, there is interest in expanding access to the Chicago Star Scholarship program to include Chicago high schools that receive scholarships from the Big Shoulders Fund, and for students who are residents of the City of Chicago, have annual family incomes of less than \$50,000 and meet all other existing Star Scholarship program requirements.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 508, County of Cook and State of Illinois, hereby (i) approves, reconfirms and ratifies the Board’s participation in the Star Scholarship, and (ii) authorizes the expansion of the Star Scholarship (the “Expansion”) to students that (i) graduate from one of the twelve high schools listed in Exhibit A, (ii) are residents of the City of Chicago, (iii) have an annual family income of less than \$50,000, and (iv) meet all other current and/or future Star Scholarship requirements, as determined by the Board in its sole discretion; provided that the Board reserves the right to terminate the Star Scholarship and/or the Expansion at any time and in its sole discretion.

May 9, 2019 – Office of Academic and Student Affairs

Exhibit A

Big Shoulder Fund High Schools Authorized to Participate in the Chicago Star Scholarship Program

1. Christ The King Jesuit College Preparatory School
2. Cristo Rey Jesuit High School
3. De La Salle Institute
4. DePaul College Prep
5. Hales Franciscan
6. Holy Trinity High School
7. Josephinum Academy of the Sacred Heart
8. Mount Carmel High School
9. Our Lady of Tepeyac High School
10. St Frances de Sales High School
11. St. Rita of Cascia High School
12. Leo High School

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